

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 61, 63-66, and 68-117 were pending in this application.

Claims 91-93, 100, 104-106, 108, and 117 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 61, 63-66, 68-79, 107, and 109-116 have been allowed.

Claims 1, 80, 83-90, 94, 97-99, and 101-103 have been rejected.

Claims 81, 82, 95, and 96 have been objected to.

Claims 1, 61, 63, 64, 74, 79-82, 85, 86, 88, 94-96, 99-104, 107-111, 113, and 115 have been amended as shown above.

Claims 1, 61, 63-66, and 68-117 remain pending in this application.

Reconsideration and full allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

**I. ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER**

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that Claims 61, 63-66, 68-79, 107, and 109-116 are allowable. The Applicant has amended Claims 61, 63, 64, 74, 79, and 107 as shown above. The Applicant respectfully submits that these claims as amended remain in condition for allowance.

The Applicant also thanks the Examiner for the indication that Claims 81, 82, 95, and 96 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to incorporate the elements of their respective base claims and any intervening claims. The Applicant has amended Claims 1, 80, 94, and 108 to incorporate elements based on those recited in Claims 81, 82, 95, and 96. Based on the indication of allowability, the Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1, 80, 94, and

108 (and their dependent claims) are in condition for allowance.

Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims.

## **II. OBJECTION TO CLAIMS**

The Office Action notes that Claims 89, 90, 102, and 103 are substantial duplicates of each other. The Applicant has amended Claims 102-106 to depend from Claim 94, which resolves the issue with Claims 102-103 and a similar issue with Claims 104-106.

## **III. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102 AND § 103**

The Office Action rejects Claims 1, 80, 83-88, 90, 94, 97-99, 101, and 103 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,521,210 to Wong ("*Wong*"). The Office Action rejects Claims 89 and 102 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Wong*.

As noted above, the Applicant has amended Claims 1, 80, and 94 to incorporate elements based on those recited in Claims 81, 82, 95, and 96. Based on the indication of allowability regarding Claims 81, 82, 95, and 96, the Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1, 80, and 94 (and their dependent claims) are patentable over *Wong*.

Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the § 102 and § 103 rejections and full allowance of all pending claims.

**CONCLUSION**

The Applicant respectfully asserts that all pending claims in this application are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests full allowance of the claims.

If any issues arise or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *wmunck@munckcarter.com*.


The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

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